

Huns Pin Faith In Western Drive Kaledine Arrested And Korniloff Has Fled

Kaiser to Make Xmas Peace Offer

(International News Service.)

London, Dec. 15.—Germany is planning another peace offer to come direct from the Kaiser, according to press dispatches this afternoon from Copenhagen. It was reported that the offer would be included in a Christmas proclamation.

RAILROADS BLAMED FOR COAL SHORTAGE BY FUEL DICTATOR

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 15.—Claus C. Spreckels, before the sub-committee investigating the sugar and fuel shortage, charged this afternoon that Earl D. Babst, president of the American Sugar Refining Company, the so-called "sugar trust" and a member of the food administration, had attempted to use the latter office as a lever to have the government anti-trust suit against his company dropped.

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 15.—Complete relief from the nation-wide coal shortage can only be attained through immediate and radical improvement in the railway situation. Officials of the fuel administration so informed senators and representatives today. They declare that the general shortage of cars and the fact that many hundreds of cars loaded with coal have been and are being sidetracked to give right of way to other freight has aggravated natural conditions so that a hand-to-mouth fuel policy must be maintained for some time to come. The White House today remained mute on the subject of railway ownership.

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 15.—The reason prices of fuel and food remain at high levels and in some cases continue to rise is that the branches of the government charged with keeping prices down and breaking up monopolies stand helpless, officials claimed today.

In all probability new legislation will be enacted at the present session of congress which will be more drastic in controlling business than any previously passed.

(International News Service.)

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Heavily guarded to prevent escape, 165 members of the I. W. W. indicted for conspiracy to obstruct the war operations of the government, went to trial before Judge K. M. Landis in the United States district court here today.

SITUATION HAS IMPROVED AT CAMP WHEELER.

(International News Service.)

Macon, Ga., Dec. 15.—The situation at Camp Wheeler is considered well under control, and in no danger of spreading. There has been but one death during the past 24 hours.

DECATUR RED CROSS URGES ALL TO TAKE OUT NEW MEMBERSHIPS

Everything is ready for the big Red Cross membership drive to start Monday morning in Decatur. Watch the window of the work room each day for the progress of the campaign. It is the plan of the Red Cross to make a great membership drive each year at this season. Since our chapter was organized in the middle of the year, memberships will not expire until July. But that we may get into the spirit of this work I am asking all who can to sacrifice their memberships for this fraction of a year and join now for the new year. This will enable our chapter to have but one campaign for members each year and to give itself wholly to work. It will

also enable the national organization to know exactly what its assets will be for the year. So let every member join again in this campaign. Of course if you cannot do this your membership will continue until the expiration of one year from the date you enrolled.

The committees will be supplied with service flags and will give them to all members, new and old. Be sure to place the flags in your windows according to directions and on Christmas Eve at 7:30 p. m. light a candle behind the flag. This will be an impressive ceremony and is to be carried out in every Red Cross home in America.

JESSE A. COOK.

"BETTER THAN WE EXPECTED,"
DECLARES CHAMBERLAIN.
OLIVER COMMITTEE BUST.

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 15.—Maj. Gen. Crozier, chief of ordnance, completed his testimony in the army investigation this afternoon. The committee declined for military reasons to make public the proceedings.

"We found in a general way that conditions were better than we thought," said Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the committee. The quartermaster's department probably will be taken up Monday.

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 15.—Prepared to spend the Christmas holidays investigating the war efficiency of the navy, Representative Oliver of Alabama, chairman of the house sub-committee, today was formulating the program which he and his fellow investigators will carry out. The first meeting will be held next Monday.

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 15.—With the navy department as an added target, the congressional investigations today pushed their inquiries into the conduct of the war with relentless vigor. So sweeping and all embracing has the scope of the investigation become that several months of probing likely will be necessary to accomplish all of the aims of the committee.

The food administration will make a strong counter thrust to the charges hurled against it yesterday. Herbert C. Hoover, food administrator, and George Rolph, chief of the sugar division of the food administration, notified the committee today that they were ready to make their appearance on the witness stand on a minute's notice to reply to the testimony given yesterday by Claus E. Spreckels, president of the Federal Refining Co., in which he charged them with direct responsibility for the sugar shortage.

COLD WAVE HOLDS ON;
12 DEGREES LAST NIGHT.

The cold wave which blew in last Saturday continues in force, the thermometer dropping down to 12 degrees above zero last night. The snow which fell Monday remains on the ground and shows some intention of "waiting for more."



1—Mrs. Nellie M. McGrath, one of two women letter carriers employed in Washington, delivering her first letter. 2—Wreck of a German concrete shelter after the British guns had found it. 3—New photograph of some of the Russian women of the Battalion of Death, which tried to defend the Winter palace against the attacks of the Max.

RED CROSS DRIVE WORKERS NAMED FOR AUXILIARIES

EYSTER, MALONE, PETTEY, WALDEN, PATTERSON, NIX ARE FOUR MINUTE MEN.

At the meeting of the Albany Red Cross workers held yesterday afternoon, Manager H. R. Thompson appointed Mrs. W. E. Todd to succeed him as manager. This action was necessitated as Dr. Thompson goes this afternoon with his family for a visit to relatives in the Carolinas. Fifty workers were reported as present, all of whom were most enthusiastic and "fit" to put over the long pull, the strong pull, and the pull altogether, next week for anywhere from 1,500 to 3,500 new members to the Albany chapter of the Red Cross.

Mrs. Godbey to Serve Luncheon.
Mrs. E. W. Godbey is to serve a luncheon to the workers about the middle of the coming week, and every worker is expected to attend, when plans will be discussed of importance to the work.

Prof. R. W. Cowart, scoutmaster, who was present, agreed to use a detail of the Albany Boy Scouts as orderlies and aide de camps, who are to serve as needed during the period of the campaign.

The Four Minute Men selected at the conference were as follows:
Chas. Eyster, leader.
B. L. Malone.
Dr. F. P. Pettey.
Capt. Dan Walden.
A. G. Patterson.
E. C. Nix.

Mrs. J. H. Donnell, who has general charge of this work, is to see to it that the men do not forget their appointments at the theatres and are on time.

Out-of-Town Committees Named.
Mrs. W. E. Todd reported the following out-of-town committees:

Valhermosa Springs—Miss Bernice Raught, Mrs. Preston Watson, Mrs. Sampson Thomas, Mrs. Leslie Williams.
Crowton—Miss Olin Sandlin, Mrs. W. F. Sandlin, Mrs. J. C. Crow.
Austinville—Mrs. Rufus Crow, Mrs. Chas. Austin.
Fairview—Mrs. Edgar Fennell, Mrs. A. B. Blackwell, Mrs. Henry Collier, Miss Katie Reece, Miss Elsie Alexander.
Lanes—Mrs. E. M. Isley, Mrs. Wm. Jones, Mrs. Walter Lane, Mrs. Sue Brothers.
Simpson—Mrs. J. I. Stockton, Mrs. W. R. Simpson, Mrs. G. W. Russell, Mrs. Minnie Robertson, Miss Nina Adair, Mrs. T. C. Ware.
Lacy Springs—Mrs. W. P. Barbee, Mrs. R. A. Gamble, Miss O. C. Morrow.
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MAYOR PAYNE ISSUES RED CROSS PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the president of the United States and the governor of Alabama, have issued proclamations urging members of the Red Cross Association to join in the effort to double its membership by Christmas Day, and

Whereas, the National Red Cross Association is the official organization for relief in both times of peace and war, the president being its head and congress authorizing it, and

Whereas, the great and urgent need of our soldiers demands more workers to provide the necessary comforts and care during the war with Germany.

Therefore, I, E. C. Payne, mayor of the City of Albany, Ala., do hereby proclaim that the week beginning Monday, Dec. 17, 1917, be designated as Red Cross Christmas Drive Week, and do urge that the people of Albany, Ala., make all possible effort to furnish the full quota of the five million new members called for by our honorable president.

TWO CONCLUSIONS LID CLAMPED ON DRAWN FROM WAR SPEECH OF PREMIER

(International News Service.)

London, Dec. 15.—Premier Lloyd George will speak in the House of Commons on the allies' war aims next Thursday, it was stated in government circles this afternoon.

(International News Service.)

London, Dec. 15.—A secret session of the House of Commons will be held some time before Christmas to discuss war measures, it was stated on good authority today.

(International News Service.)

London, Dec. 15.—Two big conclusions were today drawn from Premier Lloyd George's war speech in this city yesterday. First, that the end of the war is not yet in sight. Second, that the allied powers stand behind President Wilson's recent message to the American congress stating that the United States will not treat with the present military power in control of Germany. While the premier made no effort to minimize the dangers which confront the allies, he made it plain that the entente powers are steadily climbing to the peak of victory and that they will not lay down their arms until it is reached.

Frozen Snakeship is Found on Roadside

William Blackwell and Barrett Shelton were exhibiting today a splendid specimen of the snake clan, some six feet long. The reptile was picked up some miles out on the roadside and was frozen stiff.

NO SALES OF ANY KIND TO BE PERMITTED AND NO WORK UNLESS DONE BY PUBLIC UTILITIES.

The "lid" goes on with a bang tomorrow.

This was the announcement today from the office of Sheriff James A. Forman. The big officer of the law, spurred on by the Pastors' Union, will enforce the stringent Sunday-closing law recently upheld by the Alabama court of appeals.

Deputy Sheriff May has been ordered to patrol the Albany district and to take the names of all persons who sell wares of any kind. Other officers have been delegated to do similar duty in Decatur. Other Morgan county municipalities will likely be given the same treatment.

While the requirements of the ancient Sunday-closing statute are somewhat hazy, County Solicitor Eyster and the sheriff alike being somewhat at sea as to the exact stipulations, the position taken is that business must be suspended unless carried on by public utilities. No charges will be lodged against employees of the street railway company or of the railroads. All other lines of business come under the ban.

According to the statement of the sheriff this morning, working on Sunday as well as selling on Sunday is a violation of law. He has the authority, he has been advised, to make arrests on sight. However, he has not decided whether to merely take the names of law violators or to take them into custody. Each sale constitutes a separate offense.

Among the places that will be closing which registered men might en-

GERMAN PAPERS BOAST THAT PARIS WILL FEEL BLOW

Kaiser's Press Tries to Instill Fresh Hope Into Hearts of Wearied Soldiers

ITALIANS REPULSE ALL ASSAULTS

British Re-Capture All Ground Lost Last Night To Germans in West Flanders

(International News Service.)

Conditions in Russia again took precedence in the war news today. The Bolsheviks are claiming that the counter revolution of Cossacks is collapsing. Gen. Kaledine and Gen. Botostky were reported by the Bolshevik news agency at Petrograd to have been arrested, together with the members of their staff. The Bolsheviks claim the capture of three cities from the Cossacks in southern Russia. There was sharp burst of fighting in Belgium during the night, when the British re-captured all the ground lost to the Germans.

GERMANS EXPECT MUCH FROM DRIVE ON WEST.

(International News Service.)

London, Dec. 15.—The heavy masses of German reinforcements being rushed to the western front from Russia and being distributed all along the battle line make it difficult for the allies to tell where the promised offensive will be launched by Von Hindenburg.

The German general staff is allowing the German people to base great expectations upon the heralded drive, and advices from Berlin today quoted German papers as predicting that "both Paris and the British hold on the English channel will be threatened when the blow falls."

The fighting this week along the French front has been heavy at some points, but the attacks were all characterized as "feelers" by military experts. The Germans are evidently trying to locate any weak spots in the allied line.

It is regarded as doubtful if the Germans make a big effort in the sector of West Flanders opposite Ypres. All along the front from the North Sea to the Swiss Alps the German guns are in action and the reinforcements of artillery from the east are already making themselves evident. Continuous bombardments that pause neither for darkness nor stormy weather are under way.

It is almost agreed that fighting will be in progress on the western front all winter.

ANGLO-FRENCH GUNNERS ARE AIDING ITALIANS.

(International News Service.)

Rome, Dec. 15.—Batteries of heavy British and French guns are adding their fire to the Italians shelling the German positions along the Piave river and in the mountains of the Asiago plateau.

Austro-German assaults to drive the Italians from Monte Solaro were repulsed.

Swarms of Italian airmen are active dropping bombs upon the enemy camps, notwithstanding the snow and cold blasts.

KALEDINE REPORTED UNDER ARREST; KORNILOFF GONE

(International News Service.)

London, Dec. 15.—Information received here today from Bolshevik sources in Petrograd indicated that the counter revolution started by the

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FINAL VOTE ON DRY RESOLUTION TAKEN MONDAY

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 15.—The House will take the final vote on the prohibition amendment Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock. This agreement was reached by unanimous consent today. The joint resolution already passed by the senate will come up for consideration immediately after the reading Monday. The calling of the roll will commence at 5 o'clock. Prohibition leaders are optimistic that they have the necessary two-thirds vote.

QUESTIONNAIRES ARE BEING MAILED OUT

HUNDRED AND SIXTY EACH DAY FOR THE NEXT TWENTY DAYS

The Morgan county exemption board on yesterday mailed out questionnaires to all registered men whose numbers are between 1 and 150 and today mailed these documents to all whose register numbers are between 150 and 325. From this time on, 160 questionnaires will be mailed each day, so that within twenty days the numbers ranging from 1 to 3,215, the total in the county, will be reached.

It is the duty of registrants to fill out these questionnaires whether they receive them or not. Or in other words, the responsibility rests on the registrant and not on the government. Seven days are allowed for filling out and returning the questionnaires. Registered men can get an accurate idea of the order in which they come by adding 160 for each work day, beginning with Friday and No. 1.

Volunteers Who Applied by Noon Today Will be Accepted

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 15.—At the last minute, Secretary Baker today issued orders to Adjutant General McCain that men of draft age who applied for enlistment before noon today shall be regularly enrolled, the period during which registered men might en-

list expiring at noon. Recruiting officers everywhere report they are swamped with applications and enlistment papers. Secretary Baker's orders stated that in cases where the enlistment cannot actually be completed today, recruiting officers will be instructed to complete the enlistments as fast as possible.

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CONGRESSIONAL PROBE OF WAR ACTIVITIES.

It was to be expected that the Congress would begin a probe of the conduct of the war, and in this instance the expectation has been met. While a senate committee is looking into the activities of the war department, a similar house committee is turning the light on naval affairs. So far the disclosures have been to some extent startling, but not sufficiently so to justify unfair or hasty criticism.

The task which confronted America, a nation that had clung to peace theories while other world powers were preparing for war, was an herculean one. It was too much to hope that the waving of a magic wand and a great army would jump into the trenches, fully equipped and provisioned. Nor could we expect that the various plants that have turned out munitions and war materials could be so easily changed to produce the necessities of a lifetime and deliver untold quantities of 48-centimeters, tanks and aeroplanes. It is comforting to know that six months after war was declared some substantial progress has been made and the groundwork laid for much greater achievements.

These investigations, however, are of value as they serve as a check on the unscrupulous who are prone to take advantage of the national necessity in order to accumulate vast private fortunes. They also serve to expose incompetency, something that is to be more dreaded than German bullets. The winning of the war is largely dependent upon the capacity of the men who are at the heads of various departments of government. This being true, politics should be laid aside and the personal equation ignored. Every man who does not measure up to the full size should be quickly demoted. There is room for all such at the fighting front.

The public will await patiently the findings of the congressional committees. If they are thorough, painstaking and illuminating they will be accepted at face value and such reforms as may be needed are certain to follow.

THE RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE.

Beginning Monday and continuing through Christmas Day, the Red Cross drive for 10,000,000 new members will be waged throughout the United States. In order to secure this grand total, each district must do its part and each chapter must work for the common cause. Here at home, the Albany and Decatur chapters are both launching a membership campaign. The goal of the former is 1,031 members, of the latter 664. These figures should be exceeded, when it is considered that the latest city directory estimates the combined population of Albany-Decatur at 21,204, and when it is further considered that the cost of a membership is as little as one dollar per year. Less than 1,700 members from a population more than ten times that number is very little to ask, not too much to expect.

The Red Cross is humanity's greatest agent. It is non-denominational, non-sectarian. Its works are those of mercy. It appeals to very human being with a heart. It should be supported by every person who is capable of feeling sympathy for the distressed and the suffering. When the Halifax horror came, the Red Cross was the first into the breach. Its work, while augmented by the exigencies of the present bloody war, goes on in the times of peace just as well as in the days of strife.

With this great republic sending its soldiers overseas to fight for the cause of democracy, America's duty to the Red Cross is enlarged. This is the reason for the drive that is to be inaugurated next week.

Let your Christmas gift to humanity be the price of a Red Cross membership. Few are too poor to do this much.

FILLING OUT THE QUESTIONNAIRE.

Beginning today, the Morgan county exemption board is mailing out the questionnaires to be filled out and returned by all men who were required to register under the provisions of the recent selective draft law. Each registrant is allowed seven days in which to answer the numerous questions propounded, and in order that the work may be done thoroughly a legal advisory board has been named and will be in session at the court house throughout the next three weeks for the purpose of advising and assisting registrants in the performance of this complicated duty.

Registered men should not treat the questionnaire lightly. If they do, and fail to fill out and return the document, they forfeit all rights granted them under the selective draft law and become subject to immediate military service. The responsibility rests upon the registrant, not upon the government.

ADVERTISING PAYS—A CONCLUSIVE ARGUMENT.

The man who expects to succeed in business life these days is compelled to advertise. The experience of all successful business men has abundantly demonstrated this fact. In this connection, the Atlanta Constitution adds its argument to this proposition in the following conclusive manner: Bradstreet's says that "eighty-four per cent of all failures are among non-advertisers."

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Voice of the People

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I believe that the government has decreed that on and after January 1, 1918, cattle cannot be sent outside the limits of the territory where this poisonous parasite still exists.

This should stimulate the efforts of the more progressive farmers to make a more vigorous campaign for tick eradication.

The people of Texas have at last been brought to their senses on this scourge, so that at the last session of their legislature they passed a statewide tick eradication law, dividing the state into three zones, viz:—northern, middle and southern. The first zone must be free from tick on January 1, 1919; the other zones must follow each one year later.

While several of our counties have been released from quarantine, Alabama still trails in the dust.

We hope that when our legislature convenes again they will enact some laws to especially encourage the development of our livestock industry, in both cattle and sheep. I know that with intelligent management both cattle and sheep can be raised here with less expense than in the north.

E. H. ALLISON.

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FOR RENT—Apartment. Inquire at 332 Sherman street, or phone 395-J. Albany. 13-3t

FOR RENT—Apartment, corner Walnut and Canal, Decatur. A. D. Jervis. 3-1t

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Sat-Tu-Thr-tf

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2nd Week.....2c	2nd Week.....4c	2nd Week.....10c	2nd Week.....20c	2nd Week.....50c	2nd Week.....\$1.00	2nd Week.....\$5.00	\$10
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WHO'S WHO IN THE WAR CONGRESS

REPRESENTATIVE JULIUS KAHN.

Washington, Dec. 15.—One of the strongest advocates of military preparedness of the present sixty-fifth congress, and at many congresses preceding that, is a fighting Californian—yes, a Californian, although born at Kuppenheim, Grand Duchy of Baden, Germany. This Californian is Representative Julius Kahn, ranking republican member of the military affairs committee of the house, and representative of the Fourth congressional district of California, which means the city of San Francisco.

Through eight different congresses, not including the present one, Representative Kahn fought for preparedness. And now that the United States is at war with the country where he was born and where his parents were born, Representative Kahn is still fighting for a greater army and for greater effort to win the war. Congressman Kahn has drawn plans for an army of Americans not less than 4,000,000 strong. He realizes that we are up against a serious business and he proposes that Uncle Sam shall make such gigantic preparations now as will insure this serious business being brought to as speedy and as victorious a conclusion as possible.

Julius Kahn was born on February 23, 1861. He came to California with his parents in 1866 and was educated in the San Francisco public schools. In 1892 he was elected to the California legislature and two years later was admitted to the California bar. He was elected to the fifty-sixth congress and served in the fifty-seventh, fifty-ninth, sixtieth, sixty-first, sixty-second, sixty-third, sixty-fourth congresses and was re-elected to the sixty-fifth, or present congress.

AMERICANS PRAISED.

(International News Service.)

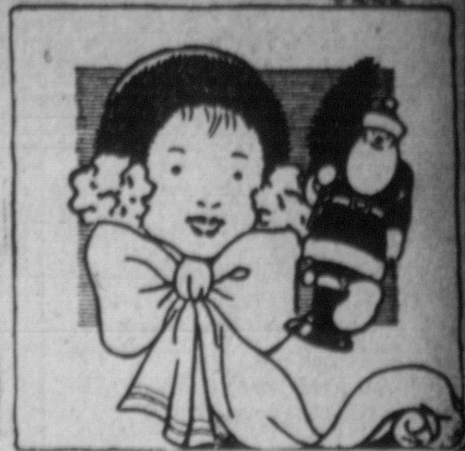
With the American army in France, Dec. 15.—Praise for the gallant American engineers who fought with the British on the Cambrai front is contained in a letter from Field Marshal Haig to the American commander-in-chief today.

WAR PROBE TO INCLUDE

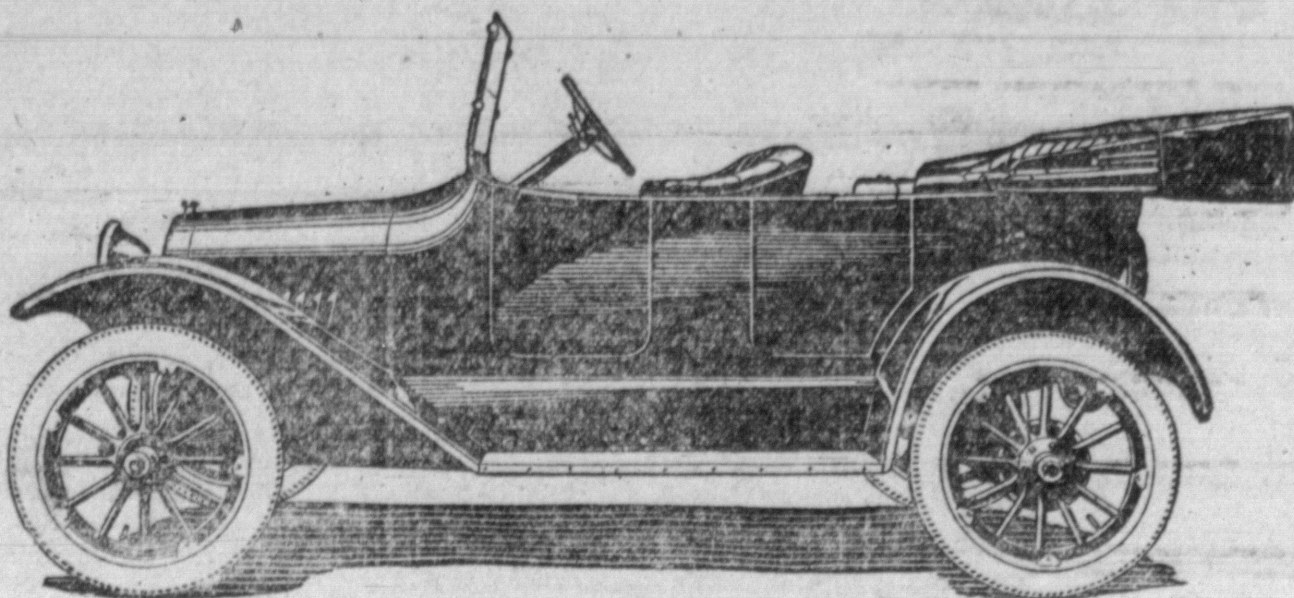
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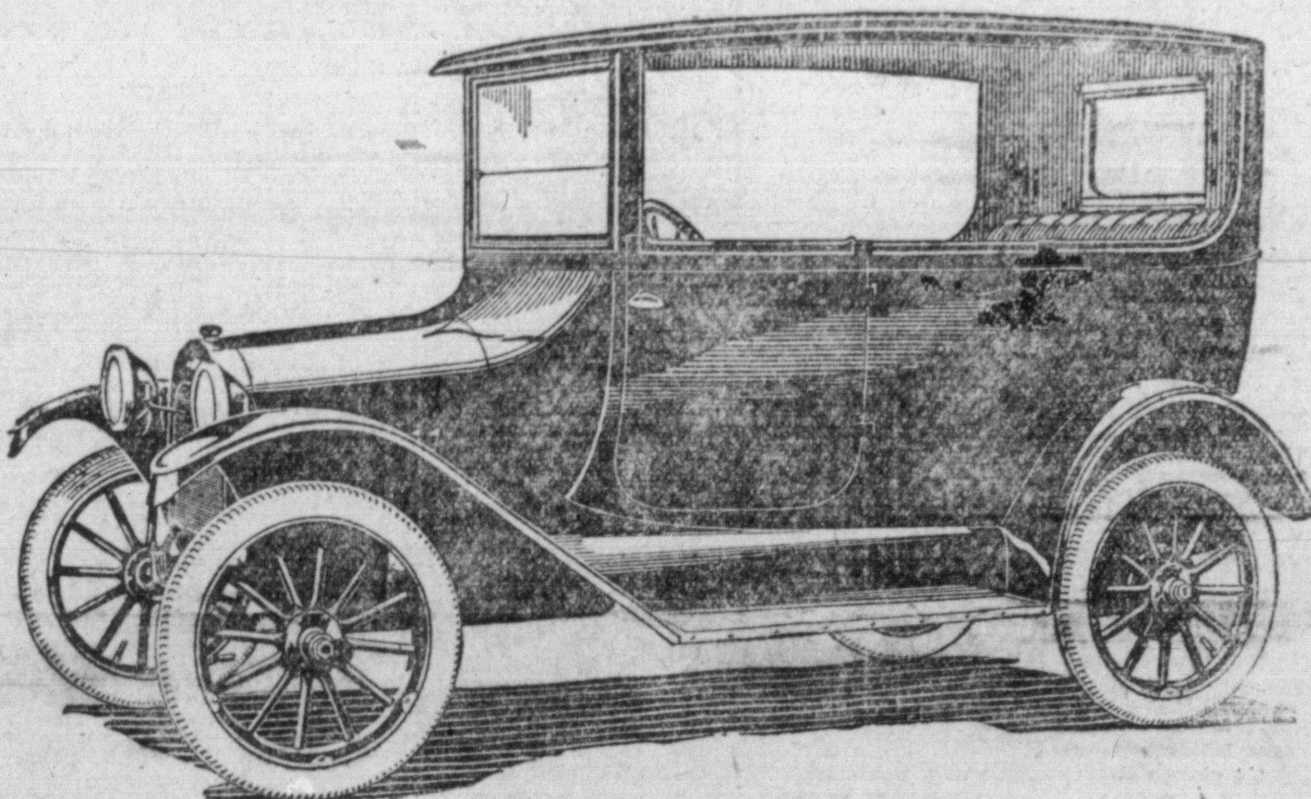
Washington, Dec. 1.—The congressional drive to get the facts about the war was in full swing today. The scope of the senate military affairs investigation into the army, it was learned today, will be extended to include the progress being made in the construction of America's great air fleet and the speed with which the shipping board is now turning out tonnage to overcome the submarine menace.



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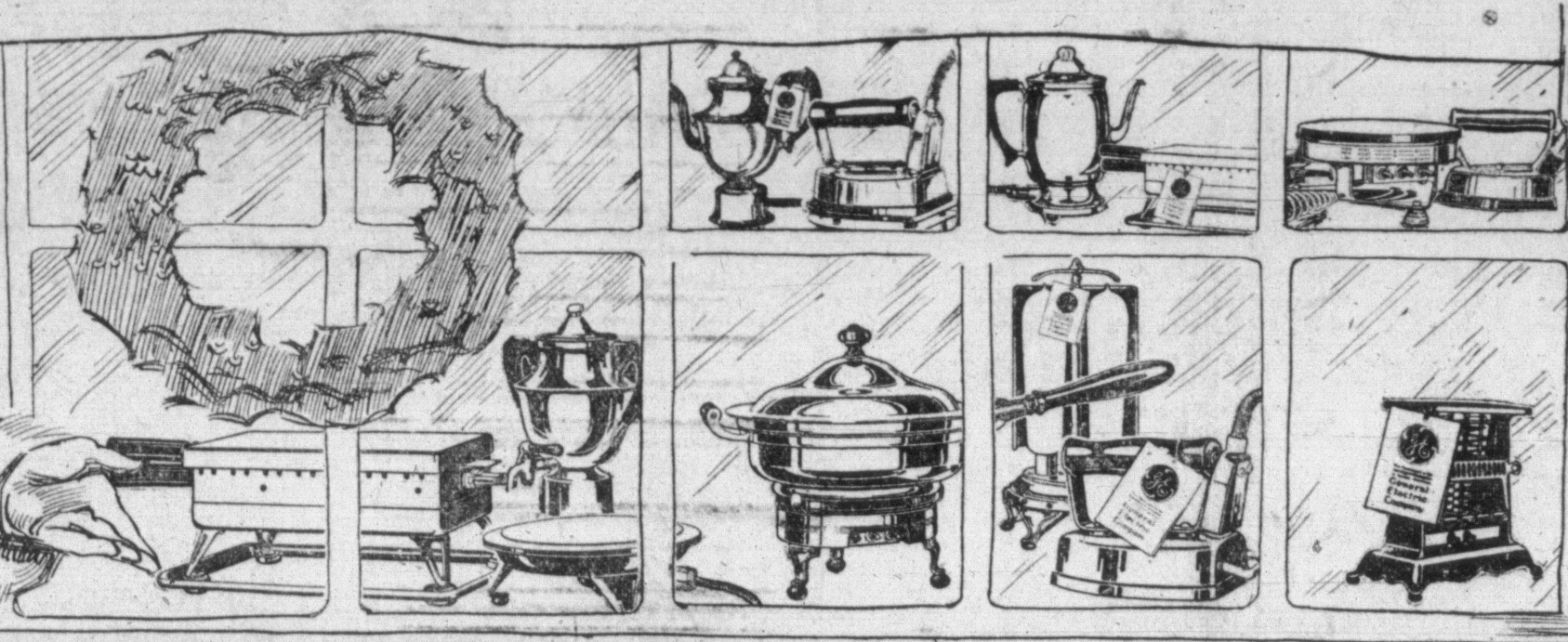

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WAR TALKS

By UNCLE DAN

Number Two

Uncle Collins Tells What He Saw—
What Military Training Does
for Boys.

"Well, here we are!" exclaimed Bill, presenting his chum, Jimmie Collins.

"Very glad to see you, Mr. Collins," said Uncle Dan with a smile.

"Aw," said Billie, "Just call him Jimmie. That's the only name he knows. He's the pitcher of our baseball nine, and he's some pitcher, too, at feel of his arm."

"Well," said Uncle Dan, feeling that a mighty good arm!

"Now, boys," said Uncle Dan, "what you want to talk about?"

"Well," said Jimmie, "I was down to Jessburg a few months ago when the boys came home from the Mexican border. They looked fine. Everybody was surprised to see how straight they stood and how manly they were. They seemed proud to wear the uniform. I told them that the boys at the training and discipline boys had had was exactly what every boy in the country ought to have, and that now these boys could do a better job at higher pay than they could have had before. Do you think that's so, Uncle Dan?"

Uncle Dan replied: "I have a friend who employs hundreds of young men. He always gives boys having had military training the preference; he says it pays to do so. He finds they are more alert, more prompt, more courteous; they know how to obey orders; they are quicker to think and to act than those without training. He said from his experience that six or eight months intensive military training would do at least 20 per cent to a man's



AFTER FIVE MONTHS.

The two pictures are of the same young man. The first was taken the day he enlisted and the second after he had five months' military training. His home is in North Carolina.

fighting capacity, and that it was the best investment any young man could make.

Billie, if you will go up to my room I will bring my small handbag. I will show you two photographs of the same young man, showing what only five months of intensive training on the Mexican border did for him."

The bag was brought. Uncle Dan, seeing the pictures, said: "Well, they are. They tell their own story and it is a mighty interesting one. The young man, before training, was a discouraged looking fellow; he had seen little of the world. There was a little in his surroundings to bring him out. When he joined the colors, Uncle Sam took him in charge, for him took on a new meaning. He saw a chance to do something and something. He woke up. His captain says he is twice the man he was when he joined the army. This may be one of the extreme cases," said Uncle Dan. "I can tell you, though, that war or no war, no one thing will make the young men of this nation so good in so short a time as a few months of intensive military training. It is a man to fight his own life battle in the business world as well as defend his country and its flag. Nearly every civilized country gives boys military training. It is compulsory. It is based upon the fact that it is the duty of everyone to help defend his country; and as war is now waged on, no one can do much unless he is trained. Also, the records show that the killed and wounded among trained troops is nearly three times as great as it is with well-trained men. We know how to fight and how to protect themselves. By this plan a man has trained men to defend the individual is a stronger and braver man for the training."

If the Chamberlain Bill for Military Training is passed by congress, it ought to be, the same thing would be done for millions of other young men throughout the land. Everybody is at demand of his congressman to demand the passage of this

Bill. Right, sir, exclaimed Jimmie, we see Judge Brownell, Mr. Haskett, Professor Blooms, and get them

A WARE AD
WILL SELL IT.
TRY ONE.



To that brain-racking question---what shall I give?--old as the first day when Christmas was made the occasion for gifts. A trip through our store affords an easy and economical answer.

And that trip may be shortened and quickened if you can pick out from the list which follows, such things as you think you will want.

Our salespeople will help you make a fine selection that will accord with both your taste and your means. Here are many goodly suggestions:

Nothing Could Be Better Than The Gift Royal--FURS



If there is some woman or girl whose heartfelt thanks you wish to win when the packages are opened Christmas morning, SEND HER FURS.

There is a charm, a soft warmth, an inviting huggable coziness about a fur coat, a piece, or a stole that no feminine heart can feel without a flutter.

That many lovely pieces of peltry are surprisingly reasonable in price at this store, the list below will tell you. Come in and look them over.

FRENCH COREY.
RED FOX.
FRENCH LYNX.
GREY FOX.

NECK PIECES, \$3.50 to \$15.00.
MUFFS, \$5.00 to \$18.50.
SETS, \$8.00 to \$35.00.

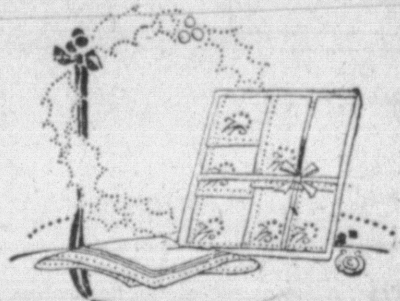
Who Does NOT Want Kerchiefs for Xmas

Chorus answers, "Nobody!" Especially nobody

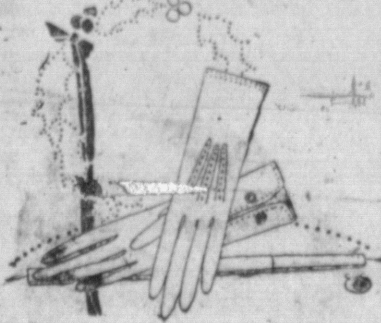
will feel disappointed at receiving the Handkerchiefs which we have piled up for Christmas shoppers.

Plain or hemstitched, embroidered or tint-bordered, these Handkerchiefs all have delightfully moderate price tags.

5c to 50c



The Gladest Hand at Yuletide



It will be the one that has received one or more of the smooth, snug-fitting, luxuriously comfortable gloves of which we have laid in so large a stock.

When you can make so many glad hands at such little cost as these displays, why not do it today--a couple of times?

2.00 3.00

CHRISTMAS SPECIALTIES

We couldn't start to list here the wonderfully large assortments of useful and fancy goods which we are displaying for Christmas, but rest assured we can supply you with dainty gift things for Men, Women, Girls, Boys and Home at very reasonable prices.

Among the Best of Our Xmas 'Finds' Are These Women's Suits

They are "finds" because we spent a long time looking for them. We knew that there would be a demand, during these holiday times, for suits that give even greater than our usual excellent values.

You will be more than pleased to note what good material and splendid style you can buy for the money you had in mind to spend--and you can be more sure than ever of pleasing the person who will wear the suit you buy. An idea of the materials and price is given below:

12.50 14.95 22.50 27.50

No Matter What Else She Receives She Will Be Glad to Get a Coat

Its snugness when the winds blow chill--its attractiveness as she goes out among other women--the sense of being clothed well wherever she may be--these will bring back to her over and over again your thoughtfulness and good wishes.

Thus the small price for which you can buy a handsome, stylish, serviceable Coat at this shop will be repaid to you over and over again.

10.95 15.95 19.50 27.95

Here's a Splendid Gift Idea Why Not Give Her a Dress

The chief part of a woman's wardrobe, says Fashion this Winter, is her dress--or, better still, her Dresses.

So you need not fear giving her one too many--and if you will select that one at our shop, you need not fear getting anything but what is JUST RIGHT--in style as well as in price.

We are here to help you make Christmas a satisfaction to yourself and to those to whom you make gifts. Will you let us?

7.50 9.50 14.50 19.50 28.50



SCARFS

All Wood Knit Scarfs and Cap to Match, \$2.50.

What Is It That We Are Always Buying and Never Have?

An Umbrella, of course! So here is another chance for you to distinguish yourself as a maker of gifts that are never scorned.

You can find at our store sufficient range of materials, colors, handles and trimmings to suit anyone from your littlest child, friend to your over-eighty grandmother. And all at prices within easy reach.

1.00 to 6.00

BATHROBES

Every man, woman and child have their dreams of a bathrobe they would like to own. And you can help to make this dream come true by giving them this Christmas a beautiful bathrobe at a small cost to you.

Ladies' and Men's at \$3.50 to \$10.00.
Children's at \$1.95 to \$3.00.

Women's Shoes as a Gift

For relatives of the gentler sex--and for your more intimate women friends as well--Shoes make a splendid Christmas present. They are useful--they can be beautiful, too, if properly chosen--and they need make but a little hole in your Christmas fund, if you buy them from our present low priced stock.

We have now so good a variety to choose from, that no matter what you have decided to pay, you can be pretty sure of fitting the right shoe to the right feet, at a reasonable price.

3.50 to 9.00

Men's Shoes of Distinction



The prices of our shoes need no talk of ours to commend them to your attention.

But the fine lines of the Beacon and other make shoes, and the sound construction of them--these cannot be conveyed in print, and so we ask you to give the shoes themselves a bit of close observation.

It will demonstrate to you that the quality is far ahead of the price and will make a very favorable impression on the one who receives such a gift.

3.50 to 7.50

SUITS AND OVERCOATS

Make Desirable Gifts Men

Our new Holiday Stocks include plain and belted styles to appeal to all sorts of men. We have them made up in materials and patterns that would make many heads turn to look as you passed; others that never would attract the attention of passersby in a hundred years. The young chap at college, the governor of finance, the minister, the lawyer, the doctor--all can be pleased by selections from the assemblages of splendid garments offered. Note how attractively they are priced for gift-making.

8.50 to 20.00

Good Looking Derbies and Soft Hats

To glance at them you would get the impression that they sold for much more than the amount they do. For, to tell the truth, as far as looks are concerned, they would pass for hats much higher priced. They are in all the most desirable blocks and newest shades; sized to fit and become heads of all proportions; dyed with good reliable dyes, and covered with felts that the sun, the rain, or the snow, will not warp nor shrink. A useful gift to any man.

2.50 to 4.00

Could the Boy Use a New Suit or Coat for Xmas?

Foolish question--for a boy can always use one. We know it--and we know how necessary it is that his outfit be substantial as well as good-looking so that consideration may be paid to both the pride and the pocketbook of parents. That is the most important feature of the items priced below.

3.00 to 9.00



If Xmas Means a Hat Choose It From this Lovely Collection

They are worthy of a much greater description than we have space to give them--so you will be doing yourself an injustice if you neglect seeing them before you make your final choice.

There is the greatest variety in materials, shapes and style of trimming--so that you will be very likely to find, somewhere among them that different and original combination that you have been looking elsewhere in vain. Prices are extremely reasonable, as the list below will serve to indicate.

2.50 to 8.00

DRY-COHEN
OUTFITTERS TO THE FAMILY
CORNER 2ND AVE. & GRANT ST.

Whoever She Is She Needs a Waist and Skirt for Xmas

We have done all that progressive merchants can to make present holiday stock of Skirts and Waists better than ever before--and better than you will find elsewhere in a long day's shopping.

So if your mind is harassed by doubts over what to give, let it be put to rest by our assurance that in these two items we can supply you with unusually acceptable gifts at unusually acceptable prices.

WAISTS, \$1.00 to \$6.50.

SKIRTS, \$3.50 to \$8.50.

Snow Ball Suits for Children in white Grey and Red, \$2.50 to \$3.50.

SILK PETTICOATS, \$3.50 to \$6.50.



Dollar Xmas Gifts

It is not necessarily the things that cost the most that are always most graciously and thankfully received by those to whom they are presented. Numbers of you who have given presents in the past know this to be only too true. Nine times out of ten they appreciate the receiving of something inexpensive which is useful, to something expensive which is not.

Selections made from the list of inexpensive Dollar Gifts are presents that will be sure to be received with many "Thank You's" by the recipient because of their usefulness.

FERN WAISTS.
FANCY HOSE.
FAIR LINEN TOWELS.
BOX LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS.
CAMISOLE.

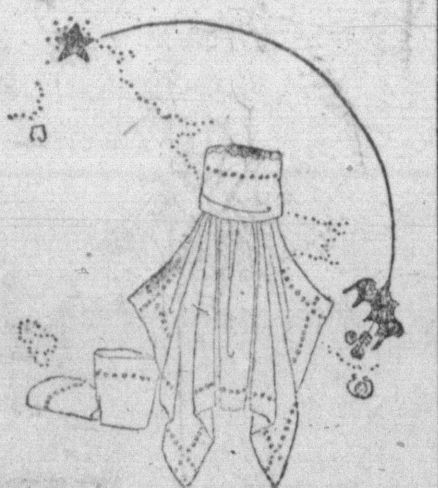
CARTERS.
BOUDOIR CAPS.
DOZEN NAPKINS.
NECKWEAR--Men's and Ladies'.

We Have Some Pretty Neckwear to Show You

It is pleasant to think now, as Christmas draws near, there are scores of artists and designers all over the world busy creating things to make you and your friends look prettier than ever.

The neckpieces we have received from them for this season's wear are truly delightful to look at--and will add a very important touch to winter outfits. Gratifying small prices are indicated below:

25c to \$1.00.



Minstrel Patronized By Good Audience

Despite the inclemency of the weather, which caused Mr. Average Citizen to stick close to his fireside, an audience of good proportions made its way through the snow to the Masonic theatre last night to witness the minstrel given by members of the Y. M. C. A., under the direction of Bud Ames. The burnt cork artists gave a program that brought much applause, opening with the regular first part minstrel act and closing

with a varied olio. The singing of the quintette was a feature.

Those who appeared in the cast were:

End men--Padbury and Dick Ames.
Interlocutor--Bud Ames.
Boys--Motherway, Crawford, Sandusky, Collidge, Turner, Owens, Harris, Broadway, Garrison, Brown, Kelly.

CENTRAL BAPTIST.

The pastor, Rev. W. P. Wilks, will preach twice at the Central Baptist church Sunday. His morning theme will be "The Upward Calling," while at 7 o'clock in the evening he will speak from the subject, "Getting Acquainted With God."

Dr. Wilks shipped his household goods from Cullman the last of this week and will become a permanent citizen of Albany right away.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.
The pastor will preach at 11 a. m.; subject, "With God in the Crisis of Life." There will be no evening service. The pastor and congregation will worship with the Central Baptist church in honor of their new pastor, L. P. Goodwin, pastor.

Subscriber for the Daily.

Early Copy Necessary

On account of some of the Daily force having gone to the army it is absolutely necessary to have copy for large ads in the afternoon before day of issue from now until Christmas.

Please co-operate with us in this that the Daily may come out on time every day.

Cordially yours,
THE DAILY.

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Myatt's Early Prolific (Rowden), Cook, Cleveland, Perry, Simpkins Ideal, King and Simpkins' Prolific Write or Wire for Booklet and Prices
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A Want Ad Will Sell it

Do Your Christmas Shopping In Decatur

THE DECATUR MERCHANTS WHOSE ADS APPEAR ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR CHRISTMAS WANTS.

For His Christmas

Select a Man's Presents from a Man's Store



WE HAVE
Bath Robes,
Smoking Jack-
ets, Sweaters,
House Slippers,
Wardrobe
Trunks, Suit
Cases, Hand
Bags, Ties,
Handkerchiefs,
Reefers,
Silk Shirts.

Everything that a Man Wears
WE HAVE

BAILEY & POINTER

"THINGS FOR MEN"

WEARING THE SERVICE FLAG



Here is the latest fad in war-time
attitudes. The woman who has a rela-
tive in the army or navy wears a small
service flag as shown in the photo-
graph.

Knew Something About Rifles.
At Fort Myer one of the companies
of Officers' Reserve corps students was
receiving instruction in some phase of
the army rifle. One of the young men
impressed the instructor as being
bored to death with the talk, and, fur-
thermore, he actually left the circle be-
fore the instructor had finished talk-
ing.

"You did not seem to care for my
lecture," said the officer to the stu-
dent a little later.

"Oh, yes sir; I am very much inter-
ested in the rifle. I have shot a great
many of them."

The army man was a bit sore.
"How many times have you fired a
rifle in the past year?" he asked.

"I couldn't say, but probably about
5,000 times."

The army officer didn't believe him,
and plainly intimated it. A civilian
who had fired a rifle 5,000 times in a
year was unheard of, an impossibility.

"Where have you fired a rifle any
such number of times?" he asked,
sharply.

"Why, it's this way," answered the
youth; "my father is Lewis, the manu-
facturer of the Lewis machine gun, and
I am in charge of his tests. I am a
specialist in army rifles."

"Oh," said the army officer—and he
walked away.—Washington Star.



**The Gift
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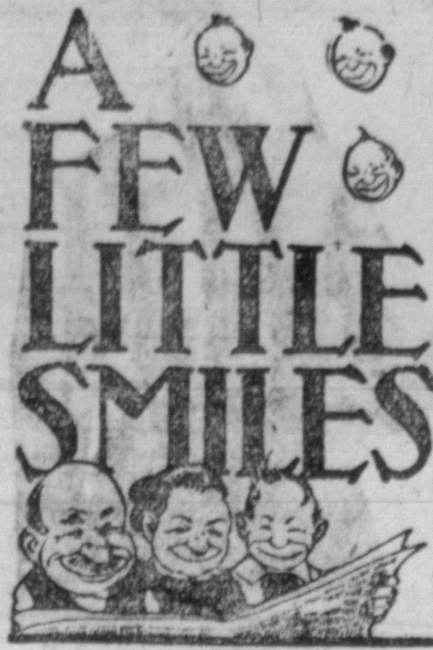
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Novelties ever
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You are invited to call
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Having decided to sell out my stock
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in the store goes at 25 per cent off
the regular price.

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404 Bank St. Decatur, Ala.



**A
FEW
LITTLE
SMILES**

Common Weakness.
"What have we here?"
"A group of savants have met to
discuss the follies of the human race."
"Well! Well! Incidentally, they
are showing themselves not much
above the common herd."
"What do you mean?"
"They dropped everything to pose
for a newspaper photographer."

Politics as She Is Did.
Political Leader—How does Bump
stand?
Benchman—All right, I guess. He
belongs to the same political party as
we do.

Political Leader—Confound it!
That's no sign. Is he with us or
against us?—Pack.

Hitting Back.
Wife—If a man loves his wife as
much as she loves him, he will stop
wasting his money on cigars if she
asks him.

Mummy—Yes, but if the wife loves
him as much as she ought to love a
man who loves her enough to stop if
she asks him, she won't ask him.

Great Expectations.
"Great things are expected from
him."
"So?"
"Yes. Any number of men expect
that some day he will pay back the
money he has borrowed."—Detroit
Free Press.

One Explanation.
"The Eskimos like phonographs."
"I can easily understand that."
"Yes?"
"The walls of an Eskimo's igloo are
so thick he can't hear his neighbor's
phonograph playing the tunes he
abominates."

For Xmas Fine Box



**Candy
and
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onery
see**

TWIN CITY PHARMACY
THE LOWEST PRICED DRUG STORE IN EITHER TOWN. TRY AND SEE.

LADIES WILL FIND AT The Fashion



An Assortment of
Articles Selected
With Care and De-
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mas Trade.

Silk Hosiery, Gloves, Waists, Coats of
Fashionable Cut, Etc., all of which
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A Line of Dolls Now on Display

The Fashion

Milady's Exclusive Shop

Bank Street

MAKE HER'S A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS



Give her:
Silk Hose, a Box of
Handkerchiefs, a Cap
and Scarf Set, a Silk
Scarf, the makings of
a Silk or Woolen Dress,
a Pretty Tie.

Many other dainty things too
numerous to mention.
See them at

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ONE PRESENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY THIS CHRISTMAS A

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DECATUR

The Serious Ghetto.

"Americans are accustomed to say
that nothing can be really good that
does not show a 'sense of humor.' A
person who, no matter what his de-
fects may be, has that irradiating
light, is saved, and it is that quality
in a book which we pick up with per-
haps the greatest approval. But the
serious Ghetto is entirely lacking in
the genial sense of humor. The Rus-
sian Jews do not know how to play,
either physically or intellectually.
There is no play in their art, their
literature, or their life. They do not
understand what is light and grace-
ful. Charm of the mere evanescent
kind, the charm of the nuance, is lack-
ing. The spirit and the art of the
Japanese are the opposites of the
spirit and the art of the Ghetto Jew.
The young men of the Ghetto—those
of the intellectual type—pass their
nights, after working hard all day, in
serious conversations in which there
is no lightness of humor, although
there may be, and often is, a sense
of the incongruous or of the ridicu-
lous."—Mishkin Mapgood, in the Cen-
tury.

Moslem Women Want Monogamy.
In Tientsin, Siberia, Moslem women at
a mass meeting demanded that poly-
gamy, as a tenet of religion as well as
a practice, cease. Moslems make up
12 per cent of the entire Russian popu-
lation. If the Siberian Mohammedans
free women it is unlikely that the re-
fractory will continue to exist among
other followers of the prophet. The
provinces of Siberia, Turkestan, Bok-
hara and the Caucasus, touching other
parts of the Mohammedan world, may
easily be points of contagion from
which a new freedom will spread.
Woman suffrage in Russia will de-
stroy with the harem and women's de-
mestic enslavement.—Woman Citizen.

Negroes With Irish Accent.
Southward and westward from our
newly acquired Virgin Islands lies the
British possession of Montserrat—a bit
of tropical land set in a blue sea. Mont-
serrat is remarkable for possessing a
negro population that speaks with a
marked Irish accent, the result of de-
portations of Irishmen to this remote
islet more than a century ago. Al-
though you can see nothing remotely
resembling a son of the Emerald Isle
in Montserrat today, your ear can
still catch a touch of the brogue in
the peculiar dialect of the place, and
many of the names are Irish pure and
simple—such as O'Hara and Hogan
and Ryan; there is even a village of
Kiluske.

LOST—Golden opportunity by ad-
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column. Twenty-five words for
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XMAS Presents

For any member of the
family may be found here.

**Fancy Handkerchiefs
Ties
Shirts
Sweaters
Shoes**

and lots of other
appropriate Articles

Come in and let us show
you.

J. Block

403 Bank Street
Next Door to Owl Drug Company



We have many nice and use-
ful presents for our soldier
boys in our Holiday line now
on display. These goods
were bought several months
before the markets were shot
to pieces so badly. Hence
we are in a position to give
our customers reasonable
prices on every item in this
line. Call and look our stock
over before making your
Christmas purchases. We
believe we can make it worth
your while.

OWL DRUG COMPANY

Make This A Merry Christmas for Mere Man



By Giving Him A
**Wardrobe
Trunk or Suit
Case**

Should he already have these an
Overcoat, Box of Sox, Silk Ties, a few
Handsome Shirts, etc.

ECHOLS & SPEAKE

Bank Street

Decatur

Let Olshine's Be Your Xmas Store



From our immense
stock any member of
the family will be able
to select a present for
Father, Mother, Bro-
ther, Sister, Aunt or
Cousin. Shoes, Over-
coats, Sweaters, Suits
for men.
Silk Waists, Beautiful
Coats, Silk Petticoats,
Suits, in all the fash-
ionable weaves and
colors for Women.

Make your selections early and make them at Olshine's

Olshine's Department Store
THE BIG ECONOMY STORE—CORNER
BANK AND CHURCH STREETS



**Give
A
Gun for
Christmas**

Sam Frank offers the following Christmas suggestions:
**Shot Guns and Revolvers for men. 22 Winchesters,
Air Rifles, Pistols and Blank Cartridges of all kinds
for boys.**

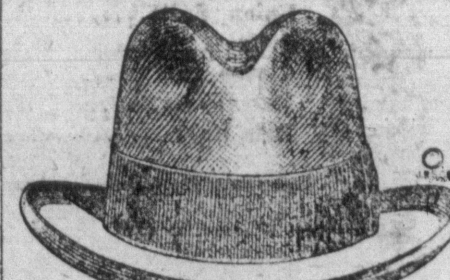
Dolls for the little folks. Christmas Cards (Davis &
Gibson Cards) for all.

SAM FRANK

"THE HOME OF BLACK SHELLS"

Bank Street

Decatur



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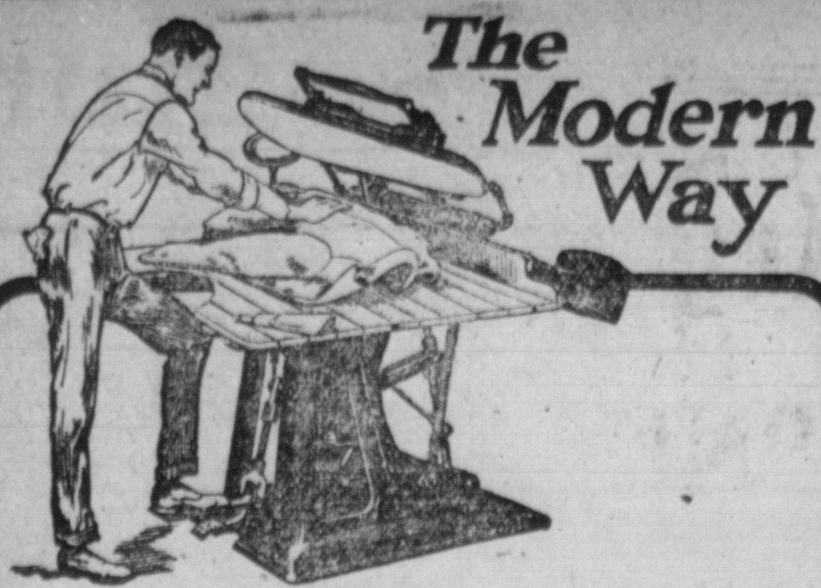
Christmas Suggestions

Overcoats from \$15 to \$30
Smoking Jackets, Lounging
Robes, Sweaters, Fancy
Vests, Canes and Umbrellas,
House Slippers, Gloves,
Boxes of Socks, Ties and
Collars, Shirts, Combina-
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We sterilize your suit with live steam and drive out all dust and dirt.

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Keep your garments in good condition by having them pressed regularly—the modern way.

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CHINAMEN WILL FIGHT IN AMERICAN ARMY



Quite a number of Chinese residents of the United States are in the National army and are expected to make fine soldiers. These two, now at Camp Upton, are typical of the Orientals who have responded to the draft.

A THOUGHT FOR THE SABBATH AND EVERY OTHER DAY

BY OBSERVER.

The eyes have it too much. "Your eyes are better than your stomach," a homely expression, meaning that your physical digestion is bad, and makes you too particular what you eat. Blameworthy, whether toward food or person, is a weakness. With a the sweet girl says, "I just can't stand him," she thinks she is but giving expression to her superiority over the gawky awkward boy, when in reality the fault is with her—she cannot assimilate the good of the boy. Exclusiveness is defensiveness and a

sign of weakness. Just so sure as you have to deny yourself certain good, rich foods on account of dyspepsia, just so sure have you got moral and religious dyspepsia if you find yourself becoming exclusive and too particular in your companionships. "Be given to hospitality," said the wise Paul to Timothy, his son in the gospel. "You may be faithful after a fashion, you may be determined, you may be zealous, but if you have not a good assimilative power for all kinds of personalities you are not great and never will be."

The man who shakes hands a lot, and shakes well, is apt to have great qualities, not because of the mere fact that he puts his hand in yours and grasps it firmly, but because such a man is taking you into his life—because he has the power to assimilate you. "Man looketh on the outward appearance, but God looketh on the heart," is the scripture way of saying God sees and gets the good out of you, while man stands off, looks at you and sneers and criticizes.

It is only as men can see, use and appropriate the good in each other, after the manner of God, that the human race will move forward. This is the idea Paul had in mind when he said, "I am all things to all men that I may save some." He didn't mean to say that he was anxious to do and be so as to please everybody, or that he was doing, while in Rome as the Romans did, or that he was going to be just as near like the person he was with for the time being as possible. No such foolish, short-sighted policies for the great Paul! What he meant was: "I am going to have such a big strong human digestion that I can like and assimilate everybody." It is along such lines as these that the real, honest pacifists get to thinking when they say they can love the world into being good without ever using force. It is said that Kerensky worked on such a philosophic basis and would not shoot down the violators of his country's law. His experiences and his failure as a leader brings us up sharp against the stern truth, that "you cannot put a spirit into the ribs of death." It is on the strength of this last truth, and the fact that Germany violated positive law, and that the Kaiser and his advisors seem to be "a hellbound bunch," as Billy Sunday called them in Atlanta, that President Wilson is urging relentless warfare until the "ribs of death" into which no spirit can be put, are cleared out of the way of a triumphant Christian-idealized civilization, such as the prophets and Master said should some day come upon this earth.

Finally, the sad fact remains that however gives to Christian hospitality you are, however powerful you are to include men in your love and to assimilate them, you have your limitations. You cannot change men's wills. God himself does not change men's wills against their wills. The Savior would have gathered Jerusalem to Him, even as a hen does her brood, "but they would not." If you do not want to be assimilated even by the Savior himself He is powerless. It is up to you.

What Our Swamps Could Do.
Some swamp land at the mouth of the Mississippi is being reclaimed which is in size equal to the three states of Indiana, Illinois and Ohio and it is ten times as big as that lit the garden patch which we know as Holland. The soil of our swamps is also ten times as rich as that of The Netherlands. Nevertheless, Holland is now feeding almost 6,000,000 people and at the same ratio our swamps could feed 60,000,000, or 16,000,000 more than half of all the people in the country today.

In 1917.
"What are you reading about?"
"Ancient customs in 1917. It seems the ancients used to find food very cheap as compared with us. They had dollar dinners."

"Some of these stories about the ancients we have to take with a grain of salt. There is even a tradition that they had free lunch."

Quitting Cards—The last word in correct stationery can be obtained from the Daily. Look our time over.

A bank is usually what the men back of it make it. Its strength depends largely upon their experience, judgment and responsibility. Its growth upon the time, thought and effort they devote to its interest.

The directors of this bank are deeply interested in the stability and progress of the institution and keep in constant touch with every detail of its affairs.

There is no better proof of the splendid results of such able direction than the steady development of this institution.

MORGAN COUNTY NATIONAL BANK ALBANY, ALA.

Deposits Nov. 29, 1917 (Comptroller's Call) \$518,876.52.
" Nov. 29, 1916 400,059.13.
" Nov. 29, 1915 320,034.31
" Nov. 29, 1914 250,308.87.

Speake & Moebe's Christmas Gift Guide

Gifts For Ladies

Coat Suits.....\$12.50 to \$40
Coats.....\$8 to \$40
Dresses.....\$6 to \$40
Bath Robes.....\$4 to \$6
Muslin Gowns and Teddies 50c to \$2.50
Silk Waists.....\$1.50 to \$10
Velvet Waists.....\$1 to \$2.50
Outing Gowns.....\$1 to \$1.50
Sweater Coats.....\$8.50 to \$12.50
Gossard Brassieres and Camisoles 50c to \$5
Skating Sets.....\$1.50 to \$5
Mantillas.....\$1 to \$2.50
Auto Caps.....75c to \$2.50
Silk Petticoats.....\$2.50 to \$5
Silk Umbrellas.....\$2.50 to \$7.50
Silk Hosiery.....75c to \$2.50
(We carry Kaiser's Hosiery, no better made.)
Creme de Chine Handkerchiefs 15c 25c
Christmas Box Handkerchiefs 25c to \$1.50
Cantemeris Kid Gloves.....\$2.50 to \$5
Middy Ties.....50c and 60c
Windsor Ties.....25c and 50c
Mining Table Covers.....\$1.50 to \$5
Napkins, per dozen.....\$1 to \$5
All Wool Double Blankets, the pair \$7 to \$8
Rondoir Slippers.....\$1.50 to \$3
Rain Coats.....\$5.50 to \$12.50
Rain Hats.....50c to \$1
Hand Grips.....\$5 to \$25
Suit Cases.....\$1.25 to \$10
Far Scarfs from.....\$5 up
Far Capes, from.....\$12.50 up
Far Sets, from.....\$17.50 to \$35
Bath Towel Sets.....75c to \$1.25
Bath Towels.....35c to 60c
Linen Towels.....50c to \$1.50

Gifts For Gentlemen

Overcoats.....\$17.50 to \$80
Mackinaw Coats.....\$8 to \$12.50
Suits of Clothes.....\$15 to \$80
Extra Trousers.....\$1.50 to \$10
Sweater Coats.....\$1.50 to \$6
Bath Robes.....\$4 to \$6
Bath and House Slippers \$1.50 to \$3
Rain Coats.....50c to \$15
Leggins.....75c to \$6
Bress Shirts.....\$1 to \$5
Night Gowns, Pajamas \$1.50 to \$2.50
Fancy and Knit Vests.....\$2.50 to \$6
Full Dress Vests.....\$4 to \$6
Fancy Caps.....75c to \$2.50
Silk Umbrellas.....\$2.50 to \$5
Walker Shoes.....\$4 to \$6.50
Horseshoe Shoes.....\$10
Other Brands of Shoes.....\$4 to \$6
Stetson Hats.....\$5
Other Brands of Hats.....\$2.50 to \$6.50
Silk Sox.....75c to \$1.50
Creme de Chine Handkerchiefs.....75c
Shirt Garters.....50c
Sax Supporters.....25c and 35c
Lian Brand Collars, per dozen.....\$2
Silk Neckties in Christmas Boxes 75c to \$1.50
Silk Ties, alone.....50c to 65c
Christmas Box Handkerchiefs 50c to \$1.50
Pure Linen Handkerchiefs.....25c
Suit Cases.....\$1.25 to \$12
Hand Grips.....\$5.50 to \$25
Dress Gloves.....\$1.50 to \$3.50
Auto Gloves.....92c to \$3.50
Wool Knit Gloves.....60c
Belts.....50c to \$1.50
Heavy Duck Coats.....\$2.50 to \$3.50
Corduroy Coats.....\$5 to \$7.50
Corduroy Suits.....\$10 to \$15

For Boys and Young Men

Wooly Boy Suits.....\$4 to \$12.50
Mackinaw Coats.....\$5 to \$8
Overcoats.....\$5 to \$8.50
Bath Robes.....\$3 to \$5
Caps.....35c to 75c
Sweater Coats.....\$1.50 to \$3.50
Buster Brown Shoes.....\$2.50 to \$5
Good Ribbed Hose.....25c and 35c
Extra Pants.....\$1 to \$3
Shirts and Blouse.....50c to \$1
Sleeping Garments & Gowns 50c to \$1
Bath Robes.....\$2 to \$3
Neckties.....25c to 75c
Handkerchiefs.....50c to 75c
Leggins.....50c
Scarf Shoes.....\$2
Ra Ra Silk Plush Hats.....75c
Union Suits.....75c
Belts.....25c
Gloves.....25c to \$1
Rain Coats.....\$3 to \$5
Rain Hats.....50c to 75c

For Girls

Silk and Serge Dresses \$5.50 to \$12.50
Coats.....\$3.50 to \$15
Sweater Coats.....\$1.50 to \$3.50
Bath Robes.....\$3 to \$5
Muslin and Outing Gowns.....50c to \$1
Children's size Umbrellas.....75c
Rain Coats.....82.50 to \$1
Rain Hats.....50c and 75c
Buster Brown Shoes.....\$1.50 to \$4
Silk Lisle Ribbed Hose.....25c and 35c
Scarf Caps.....\$1.25 and \$1.50
Toboggan Caps.....35c to \$1.50
Knit Skating Sets.....\$1.25 to \$3.50
Paul Jones Middy Blouse \$1.25 to \$2.50
Cheaper Middies.....50c and \$1
Middy Ties.....50c and 60c
Windsor Ties.....25c and 50c
Creme de Chine Handkerchiefs 15c and 25c
Rondoir Slippers.....\$1.50
Gloves.....25c and 50c
Silk Gloves as small as 5.....75c to \$1.50
Kid Gloves as small as 5.....\$2.50
Far Sets from.....\$2.50 up

For the Baby

Crib Blankets.....50c to \$1
Bath Robes.....\$1 to \$2
Knit Caps.....25c to 75c
Knit Sacques.....75c to \$2
Embroidered Flannel and Serge Sacques.....75c to \$2
Soft Sole Shoes.....75c

Baby Buster Shoes.....\$1.25 and \$1.50
Nice Cashmere Stockings.....25c
Silk Lisle Stockings.....25c
Mittens.....25c and 35c
Short Coats, 1 to 4 years.....\$1.50 to \$5
Beautiful White Cashmere and Serge Coats.....\$4 and \$5
Rondoir Slippers.....\$1

Everything wrapped in Holly Paper from now until Christmas. Christmas boxes sold in all sizes at reasonable prices.

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Christmas Selections

WE give below a list of some of the things that will make her or him happy, you can find just what you want at our store. French Ivory, Toilet Sets, Mirrors, Brushes, Combs, Buffers, Jewel and Puff Boxes, and many small items of white goods.

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Our Stationery line in all colors is the finest and best ever brought to Albany. Prices from 25c to \$5.00 per box.

Indestructible Dolls, Manicure Sets, Mirrors, Xmas Seals, Cards and Tags, Flash Lights, Ansco Cameros, Thermos Bottles, Tally Cards, Pipes, Cigars, Candy, and many articles of other suitable gifts. Come early and avoid the rush, so you will get choice selection.

Nunnally and Norris Candies
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PHONE 17

Vince Walker Has Arrived in France

Popular Local Boy Now With American Aviation Corps Abroad.

Vince Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Walker, of the Twin Cities, has arrived safely abroad, according to a cablegram received by his parents this week. He is supposed to be in France, although the point from which the cablegram was sent is not found in any directory of French cities, and may have been fictitious. Mr. Walker, who is in the aerial service, sailed from New York some weeks ago. During all his trial flights he made splendid records and will soon be flying over the German lines on the western front.

The cablegram stated that since he has been away, Vince has received 10 mail, although many letters have been dispatched to him by relatives and friends.

BOY SCOUTS MEET TONIGHT.

The Albany Boy Scouts will meet tonight at 7 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. Those who fail to be present will be barred from participating in the Red Cross membership drive next week.

GLAD TO TESTIFY

Says Watoga Lady, "As To What Cardui Has Done For Me, So As To Help Others."

Watoga, W. Va.—Mrs. S. W. Gladwell, of this town, says: "When about 15 years of age, I suffered greatly. Sometimes would go a month or two, and I had terrible headache, backache, and bearing-down pains, and would just drag and had no appetite. Then... it would last... two weeks, and was so weakening, and my health was awful.

My mother bought me a bottle of Cardui, and I began to improve after taking the first bottle, so kept it up till I took three... I gained, and was well and strong, and I owe it all to Cardui.

I am married now and have 3 children... Have never had to have a doctor for female trouble, and just resort to Cardui if I need a tonic. I am glad to testify to what it has done for me, so as to help others."

If you are nervous or weak, have headaches, backaches, or any of the other ailments so common to women, why not give Cardui a trial? Recommended by many physicians. In use over 40 years.

Begin taking Cardui today. It may be the very medicine you need.

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Business and professional cards printed or engraved.

2,600 Bottles Beer Will Be Smashed By Sheriff Forman

Sometime between now and the Christmas holidays Sheriff Forman will smash 2,600 bottles of beer—and that while the thirsty look on and talk of "the good old days." The liquor was seized some months ago during a raid on a house of questionable repute and has been stored in the basement of the court house since that time. The order for the destruction of the wet goods has been issued and Mr. Forman is only waiting for the weather to improve before he begins to wreck the suds.

Salvation Army in Need Christmas Funds

Captain Shackelford Appeals to the Public for Assistance.

The Salvation Army is in need of finances for its Christmas baskets.

Captain Shackelford stated today: "While we realize the many demands made on the public this year, yet we must not let our poor at home suffer. Up to the present, money has been very slow in coming in and with the prices of provisions so high we must ask the public to kindly make their contributions liberal. Anyone having canned fruit that they would like to donate to help fill the baskets would be appreciated. In a few days our kettles will be on the street and we would like each person to contribute as liberally as possible, for, remember the need this year is greater than ever before."

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ed up are drug stores, shoe shine stands, meat markets, bakeries, news dealers selling Sunday newspapers, filling stations. No gasoline sales are to be allowed. The law, as Mr. Forman construes it, applies to church organists and choir singers who receive pay for their services, as these acts constitute work and not worship. Bakeries will be allowed to conduct their manufacturing departments. Mr. Forman stated today, but cannot make Sunday sales. Milk wagons will not be allowed to operate, nor will milk depots.

Those first calling cards. Every prospective bride takes especial interest in her first calling cards after the "Mrs." is added. Supply your wants by ordering early from the Daily. Many styles and prices to select from.

NEW YORK SHIVERS WITH PLENTY COAL ACROSS THE RIVER

(International News Service.)

New York, Dec. 15.—With 30,000 tons of coal just across the North river and at other New Jersey tidewater points, New York today faces the most disastrous fuel famine in its history. The coal is in cars ready for transportation, but so solidly frozen as to necessitate steam or pick and shovel to loosen it. Meanwhile New Yorkers, especially the poorer classes, are suffering. Long lines of shivering persons stand at every coal yard in the city begging to get even one or two lumps.

City officials have issued a warning declaring that an epidemic of pneumonia is increasing with rapidity.

Benevolent Hospital

News notes prepared by Superintendent Hubbard and published each Saturday at the request of the Board of Managers.

J. G. Erwin has recovered from pneumonia and gone to his home in Nashville.

William Norman, of Decatur, has had a relapse. He is a great sufferer. Andrew King is recovering from a severe case of appendicitis.

Little Ruth Cloud will recover from a burn caused by her clothing catching on fire.

Mrs. Butler, of Decatur, is surprising herself and others by rapidly recovering from a second operation.

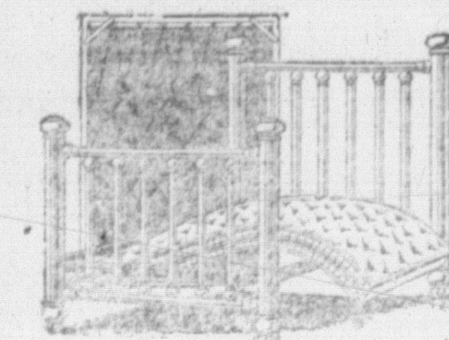
The hospital is heated with wood. Mr. Erwin gladdened the hearts of the nurses by a present of a 5-pound box of candy.



FURNITURE, IDEAL

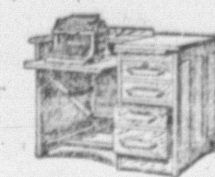
You can give something in Furniture from this store that but that will forever be a constant reminder of the giver. Do not waste your money on trash; money is too hard to get and goes as quick as hooves us all to make the best of it.

Furniture is something that will last and will be appreciated.



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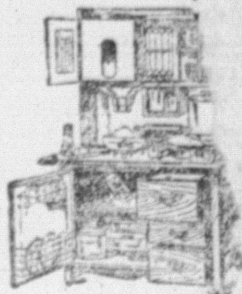


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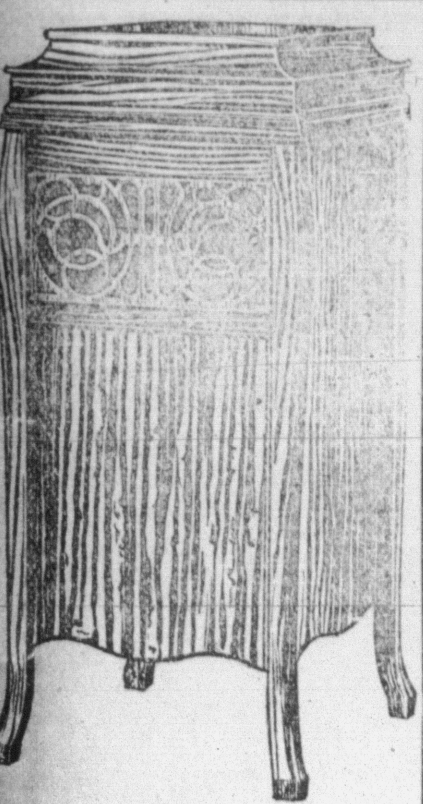
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CLUB CALENDAR.

Monday.

Missionary Society, Central M. E. church—Mrs. T. A. Caddell.
Missionary Society, Westminster Presbyterian—Mrs. E. C. Payne.

Tuesday.

Progressive Culture Club—Mrs. S. A. Lynne.
Woman's Literary Club—Mrs. S. M. Thompson.

Wednesday.

Married Ladies' Bridge—Mrs. B. P. Wallace.
Music Study Club—Mrs. E. E. Graves.

Thursday.

Mrs. E. W. Godbey will entertain at 4 o'clock.
Silk Stocking Club—Mrs. T. H. Alexander.

Friday.

Auction Bridge.

WILLIAMS-THORNTON.

A social event of much interest occurred at Florence yesterday evening at 7 o'clock, when Miss Nita Thornton and Mr. Chas. Williams were united in marriage, Rev. W. B. Strong, of Albany, officiating.

The ceremony took place at the residence in the presence of a few friends. The bride is one of the most popular girls in Lauderdale county, and belongs to one of its leading families. The groom is a splendid young man, and has been prominently identified with the educational and religious life of the county for several years.

HARVEST DAY.

Harvest Day will be appropriately celebrated by the Missionary Society of the First Methodist church, Decatur, on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Not only the members are urged to be present, but all the ladies of the church are cordially invited. Beautiful decorations, interesting program and an enjoyable social hour.

WILKINSON-DUNN.

Cards have been received announcing the approaching marriage of Miss Edna M. Dunn, of Birmingham, to Mr. T. Carl Wilkinson, of Columbia, Tenn., at Birmingham on Christmas Eve at 6 o'clock.

Mary Terrell Jones went to Sheffield, having visited Margaret Penick en route from Ward-Belmont.

Lorraine Lansdell, of Paris, Tenn., will be a Christmas guest in the Penick home.

Mrs. R. L. Maury is suffering a severe attack of grippe.

The Misses Rogers have returned from a visit to friends at Florence.

Mrs. E. H. Turner and children are expected to return next week from points in Mississippi, Tennessee and Alabama.

Mrs. A. B. Carriger has returned from Gadsden and other points in Alabama.

Mrs. Wiley Owen and daughter, Frances, have returned from a visit to New Orleans.

Miss Mabel Hartung will return the 19th for the holidays. She is a student at Maryville, Tenn.

Mrs. Jessie Hall and niece, Miss Jessie Hall Dougherty, left this morning for their home at Macon, Ga. Mrs. Robert Daniel and daughter, Mary, accompanied them as far as Chattanooga, where they will be for several days.

Mrs. Max Horton, of Elkhorn, and Mrs. Thomas Powers, of Huntsville, have returned to their homes after spending a few days with Mrs. A. B. Dodd.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Baird and little daughter, who have been at Charlotte, N. C., the past few months, are expected to arrive this evening to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Borton.

HOW IT STARTED.

Absolute knowledge, I have none, But my aunt's washerwoman's sister's son.

Heard a policeman on his beat Say to a laborer on the street, That he had a letter just last week, Written in the finest Greek, From a Chinese collier in Timbuctoo, Who said the negroes in Cuba knew Of a colored man in Texas town, Who got it straight from a circus clown, That a man in Klondike heard the news

From a gang of South American Jews, About somebody in Borneo Who heard a man who claimed to know, Of a swell society female fake, Whose mother-in-law will undertake To prove that her seventh husband's sister's niece

Has stated in a printed piece That she has a son, who has a friend Who knows when the war is going to end

—Author Unknown.

PERSONALS

Thomas Redding has recovered from an attack of grippe.

L. J. Whitley left Friday for Ft. Oglethorpe, where he will be in the quartermaster's department. Mrs. Whitley is now with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mangrum, but will join her husband soon.

Lieut. Richard Johnston of the regular army, has returned to Chickamauga after being a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Daniel.

Lieut. G. R. Jones left yesterday for Charlotte, N. C., after a visit to his mother, Mrs. Lem Jones.

Chas. and John Miller and Mrs. Robinson of Tanner, have returned home, having been called to the bedside of their father, who is seriously ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fodders.

Roy Robinson, of Tanner, is spending the week-end with his aunt, Mrs. Fodders.

Capt. Frank Skeggs, who has been assigned to the Eleventh regiment, U. S. regular army, left yesterday to report for duty with his regiment at Chickamauga Park.

The condition of J. D. McNabb remains unimproved.

Skilled Labor.

The following is an excerpt from the expert testimony of a negro delegate of a local hod carriers' union, given in the municipal court of Cincinnati, O., who testified that he had been a hod carrier for 21 years.

Question—State whether or not there is any apprenticeship in the Hod Carriers' union.

Answer—No, sah; when I larn'd to be a hod carrier, it took me 'bout half a day.

Question—What are the requirements necessary for a full-fledged hod carrier?

Answer—Well, fust, you must pay your dues in de Hod Carriers' union, and den all it takes is a weak mind and a strong back to be a fust-class hod carrier.—The Docket.

Power of New Sea Mines.

As an instance of the power of the latest sea mines, writes a correspondent, one which we exploded in a shallow channel threw high into the air parts of the rocky bottom, and a wide area of the sea was discolored by the upheaval of the soil. When the mines are blown up, the surface for long after presents an extraordinary appearance, with thousands of all kinds of fish lying stunned. The majority are not killed, only stunned, and after getting blown out with the air, they wriggle about on the surface before they sufficiently recover to swim below to their natural level; meanwhile, our patrols take advantage of the situation to harvest several boxes of the choicest.

Edward's Taste.

"Can any little boy," asked the new teacher, "tell me the difference between a lake and an ocean?" "I can," replied Edward, whose wisdom had been learned from experience. "Lakes are much pleasanter to swallow when you fall in."—Christian Register.

Red Cross Drive Workers Named

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Mrs. J. D. Atkinson, Mrs. Walter Hough.

Winton—Miss Onie Sharp, Mrs. H. C. Lemmond, Mrs. J. M. Lemmond, Mrs. Fletcher Turney.

Woodland Mills—Mrs. P. T. Russell, Miss Nannie Carnathan, Miss Lucile Oldacre, Mrs. J. E. Helm.

Priceville—Miss Sallie Ralfe, Mrs. J. E. Matthews, Mrs. Will Dinsmore, Mrs. F. H. Orr, Mrs. Chas. Radcliff.

Flint—Mrs. C. E. Poole, Miss Bessie Brothers, Mrs. Jno. English, Mrs. H. A. McClellan, Mrs. Jno. McClellan.

Somerville—Mrs. Mary E. Peck, Mrs. John H. Johnson, Mrs. W. R. Ransom, Mrs. Maggie England.

In addition to the prepared program for the Red Cross rally tomorrow afternoon at the Delite theatre, it has been arranged to throw the text of "Holy Night" on the movie screen, and it is earnestly urged by Miss Florence Bassett, who is in charge of the music, that all Red Crossers whether formal members or not shall be present with a copy of this carol, and join in the special feature will be the reading of Herbert Kauffman's latest war poem, "The Hell Gate of Soissons," by Miss Marie Kimbrough.

Rev. L. F. Goodwin will preside and the choir of the Westminster Presbyterian church will be in attendance. Pastors will give 5-minute talks on work of the Red Cross.

The complete program follows:

Piano voluntary.

Invocation—Rev. Brock.

Anthem—Choir.

Remarks by Chairman Goodwin.

Red Cross Work in the Army—Rev. J. C. Persinger, pastor Central M. E. church.

Red Cross Work in the Navy—Rev. Wm. Neal, pastor Austinville M. E. church.

Disaster Relief—Rev. L. L. Hearn, pastor of the South Side Baptist church.

Anthem—Choir.

Reading, "The Hell Gate of Soissons"—Miss Marie Kimbrough.

Women's Work in Red Cross—Rev. R. P. Stuckey, pastor East Albany Baptist church.

Dependent Families of Soldiers—Rev. W. P. Wilks, pastor Central Baptist church.

Junior Red Cross Work—Rev. W.

WANTED 439 Men--Women and children to join our Xmas Savings Club--beginning now for Xmas 1918. We pay you interest while you save. Call Decatur 44 and leave your name.

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B. Strong, pastor Willoughby Presbyterian church.

Comfort for Soldiers En Route—Rev. W. J. Young, pastor Ninth Street M. E. church.

Funeral From Residence at Two P. M. Sunday

The funeral of Mrs. J. O. Drake, who died at her home, 513 Seventh avenue, west, on yesterday afternoon, at 5:30 o'clock, will be held at the residence at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

ANNUAL BAZAAR.
The ladies of West Side Presbyterian church will hold their annual Bazaar Tuesday, Dec. 18, in the store south of E. S. Johnson. Dinner and supper served. Meals 35 cents. 14-3t

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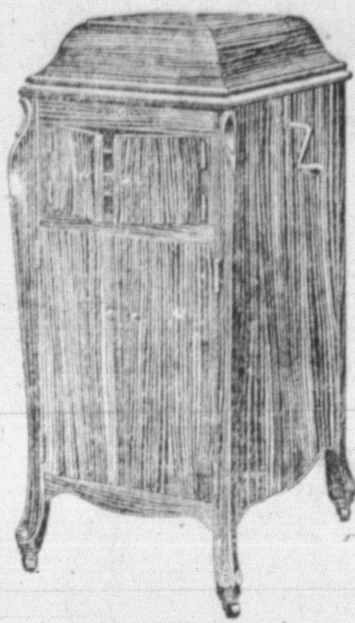
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Use the Daily's Want Ad Column

What to Eat in War Time

(By G. KAY SPENCER.)

(Written for the International News Service and Approved by the United States Food Administration.)

BUYING FOR THE HOUSEHOLD.

Before your prospective food reaches the retailer it has passed through a series of transactions and shipments which are always under the eyes of the constituted officials to safeguard the health of the public. Generally these officials are able to keep a good check on the decency of the handling and refrigerating of the food while it is in the possession of wholesalers, and generally the food reaches your retailer in a very near perfect condition—or he, of course, would refuse to accept it, looking out for his own interests.

But once in possession of the retailer there are many vicissitudes through which the food may pass which may or may not leave it fit for human consumption. If, in the retailer's hands, the food becomes contaminated, dirty, rancid, putrid or unwholesome, then the consumer, and the consumer only, can exercise the censoring influence that will remedy conditions.

First of all, be convinced that a store overrun with vermin, a store whose bins are uncovered, a store whose refrigerator goes uncleaned at regular intervals, a store where products in bulk are displayed in the open, a store where unhealthy clerks serve, a store where foods are much handled—is a store where vast armies of the most insidious enemies the human race has, marshal themselves to attack with fever, malady and death the person who is so unlucky or so blind as to patronize the store that breeds them.

Insist on pure products; usually nationally known trade-marked goods are dependable and comply with the law. Even in these times reasonable prices should obtain.

In every trade there are pernicious mountebanks, and it seems these troublous times are unmasking many of them posing as honest tradesmen. The retail grocers of the land seem to be producing more of this unsavory tribe than is usual; we find every place the wholesalers making real sacrifices in sympathy with Mr. Hoover's great exertions through Washington, and we also find great numbers of unscrupulous retailers promptly taking unfair advantage of every patriotic action of the wholesalers—result, the ultimate consumer benefits not at all.

Look to your retailer. There are many more honest, upright tradesmen than there are downright crooks—but there are so very many crooks, real thieves, unfair retailers, that

constant attention to your buying is, in these days, a prime necessity.

Every tradesman knows, or should know, that cleanliness precludes putrefaction. Up-to-date refrigerators are one mark of any store's dependability—look for them. Also endeavor to patronize that retailer whom you have reason to believe buys in great quantities; he can always sell lower. The cash stores, too, deserve your attention; another money saver, for very obvious reasons.

In your butcher shop demand meat from the refrigerator and only meat that has been through a minimum of handling. Your delicatessen store and milk depot should get a share of your attention when demanding "clean foods." You will find the stores quite willing to act on your suggestions; most establishments welcome comments by patrons.

Show cases should be covered, should be fly and dust proof. In such stores, maintaining a high degree of protection to their stocks, it is entirely safe to buy in bulk. Oleomargarine is much cheaper than butter and is under the strict necessity of being made from absolutely fresh ingredients. Butter can be made from rancid, stale ingredients; so "oleo" possesses a real merit. It is a well worth-while substitute for butter for all except the children.

Tagged Duck is Killed by Schnur

A duck to the leg of which was attached a metal tag bearing the inscription, "Box 12, Kingsville, Ontario," on one side and a verse from the Book of Psalms on the other, was killed yesterday on the river by Herman Schnur, of the Twin City garage, while out hunting. The duck was a splendid specimen of its kind, and the fact that it was tagged indicated that it has made a long flight southward in escaping from the cold of Canada.

The reverse side of the tag read: "No good thing will be withheld from those that walk uprightly."—Ps. 84.

HOUSE RECESSES FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY.

(International News Service.) Washington, Dec. 15.—The House this afternoon agreed to a holiday recess from next Tuesday until noon, January 3.

BOLSHEVIKI ARREST SMITH, AMERICAN

(International News Service.)

Washington, Dec. 15.—Reports that Chas. S. Smith, of St. Louis, who has been in Russia ever since the American railway commission was sent there to aid in reorganizing the Russian transportation system, has been arrested by order of Bolshevik leaders reached this city today. No confirmation was obtainable.

Huns Pin Faith In Western Drive

(Continued from Page One.)

Constance under Gen. Korniloff, and Gen. Kaledine was collapsing. Gen. Kaledine was reported to have been arrested and Gen. Korniloff is said to have disappeared. Announcement to this effect has been made by the Bolshevik government.

Fresh dissensions have broken out in the Bolshevik group controlling the government, according to reports reaching here.

BRITISH RECAPTURE GROUND LOST IN WEST FLANDERS.

(International News Service.) London, Dec. 15.—Most of the ground lost to the Germans on the West Flanders front yesterday was recaptured during the night, the British war office announced at noon. There was sharp local fighting, south of Polygon wood, northeast of Ypres, and Messines there was heavy artillery duelling.

REPORT

all the news happenings that come to your attention to this office. It will be appreciated for every piece of news will make the paper more interesting for you as well as others. We want and with your help will print all

THE NEWS

AMUSEMENTS

THE BURGLAR AT THE DELITE AND STAR MONDAY.

An entirely new sort of a role is played by Carlyle Blackwell in "The Burglar," the new World-Picture Brady-Made which will be seen on Monday at the Delite and Star theatres.

In this production Mr. Blackwell appears as Will Lewis, who in his flighty youth gets into a very serious scrape in which it appears that he has killed a policeman. He escapes from his home and in another city makes good as a paying teller in a bank and he marries the charming daughter of a stern, aristocratic father. Then Steve Burns, the tough individual who was his partner on the occasion of the policeman's death, discovers Will's whereabouts and on pain of revealing his past and causing his arrest, Steve induces Will to participate with him in a robbery of the bank where Will is employed. Will is arrested for the crime. Later he manages to escape from the penitentiary. The guards shoot at him and think that they have killed him. The news of his death is broken to his wife and she marries again. They move to another city. Will becomes a burglar and in his attempt to burglarize the house where his wife and their little daughter are living, he is surprised by his own daughter. The climax of the play comes speedily after this and in it Carlyle Blackwell and Evelyn Greasley and Madge Evans, who are co-starred with him, do some of the best work of their brilliant careers.

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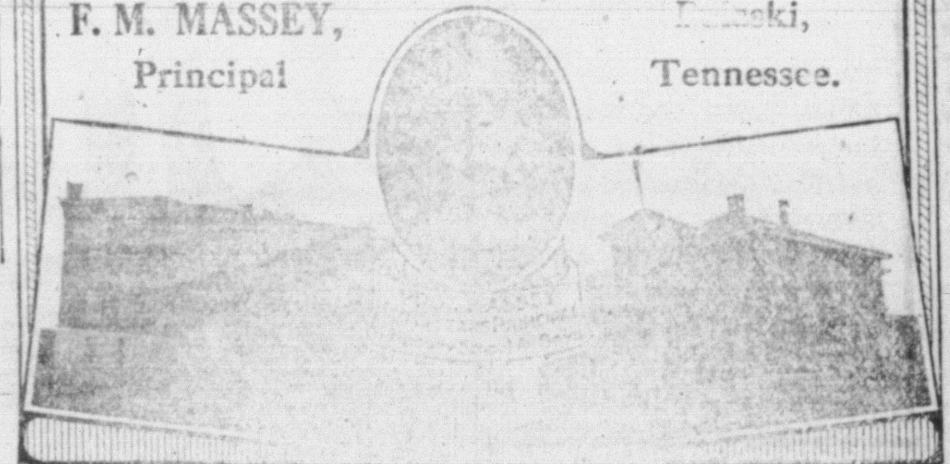
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Electric Lamps,
Folding Screens,
Rugs,
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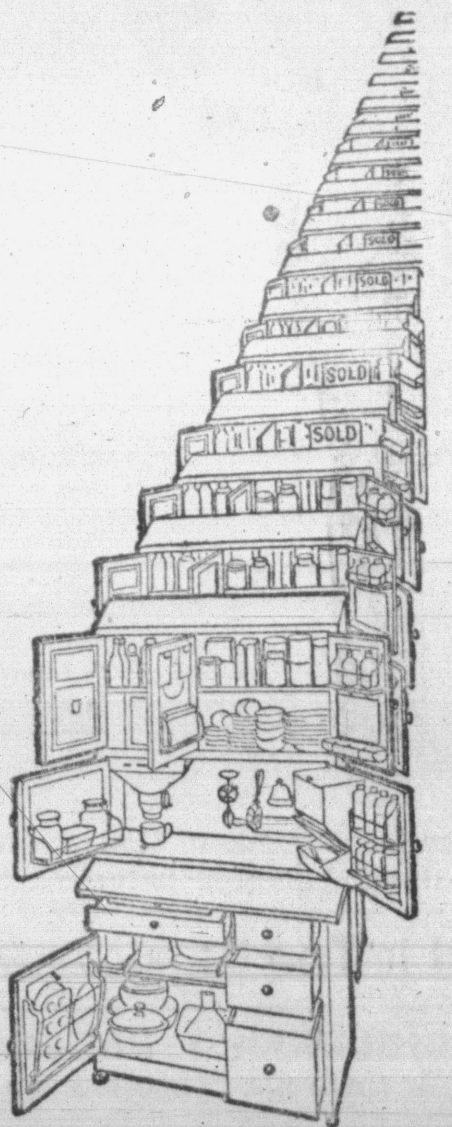


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A. G. Wilhite, registrar for Morgan county, is at the Albany city hall today and a number of voters are flocking thitherward for the purpose of registering. The books were opened yesterday at Long & Abel's store in South Albany.

From January 1 to 5, the registration books will be open at the court house. At that time any voter who has overlooked the opportunity to register in his home precinct can register and get equipped for the campaigns of next year.

TREATY MAY FORCE

ALIEN SLACKERS TO FIGHT

(International News Service.) Chicago, Dec. 15.—That a treaty shortly will be negotiated whereby alien slackers in America will be compelled to enter the service of their country was the declaration of Judge K. M. Landis in an address here.

Cuba Declares War On Dual Monarchy

(International News Service.)

Havana, Dec. 15.—A speedy declaration of war against Austria-Hungary by Cuba was predicted today, following the adoption by the senate of a resolution calling for such action. The resolution had previously been passed by the House.

Two Names Left Off List of Draft Aides

In compiling the list of aides who are to assist in filling out the questionnaires, the bar committee inadvertently left off the names of H. R. Thompson, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and Father Sheridan, of St. Anne's Catholic church. It was announced today by S. A. Lynne, secretary. The error is regretted by Mr. Lynne.

Air Service Open To Registered Men

The air service is open to registered men, according to the following telegram received at the Decatur recruiting station today:

"Suggest to registrant applicants interested who apply too late for voluntary enlistment to write direct to Volunteer Department, 119 D street, N. W., Washington, for information regarding selection for air service. (Signed) 'McCAIN, General.'"

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